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MEMORANDUM FOR : Project Security Officer(R)

SUBJECT : Visit to Headquarters, ARDC, by Project Director
and Deputy Project Director

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1. On 14 November 1957 Mr. Bissell and [REDACTED] visited ARDC Headquarters in Baltimore to brief the top staff there on the present status of Project Aquatone and review with them our possibilities for the future. Those in attendance at the briefing were:

Lt. Gen. Samuel E. Anderson, Commander, ARDC
Maj. Gen. John W. Sassums, Jr., Dep. Cmdr.
Brig. Gen. Marvin Demler
Brig. Gen. Donald D. Flickinger

2. Mr. Bissell reviewed with these people our work on Thermes and what success we have had with it, and discussed our thinking with respect to future R & D efforts in that field.

3. Mr. Bissell indicated that while we kept in close touch with Col. Nunziato in order to have interchange of information regarding our project and Thermes aspects, we felt a liaison officer to keep us in closer touch would help us and would also help them. It would help us by keeping us up to date on all the latest developments in aircraft performance and the latest developments in Thermes activities, and any requirements that may be foreseen in the Air Force which they may have difficulty in establishing and with which we could help them. At the same time we felt we could keep ARDC better and more promptly informed of what we are doing in our program.

4. Gen. Demler agreed with this concept and assigned as their liaison officer Maj. Gerald White, who has been previously cleared and has worked on both Aquatone and Thermes.

5. This information is presented to you primarily so that you may keep your records current as to the extent to which these individuals are witting of our activities.

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Deputy Project Director

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